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Bozeman, Libby, Butte and Lewistown can claim credit for English students among the best in the nation, according to the National Council of Teachers of English. NCTE Achievement Awards include as winners Marjorie Ellen Huffman of Bozeman Senior High School, Alene Sara Orr of Libby High School, and as runners-up Leta Lavell Crangle of Butte Girls Central High School and John Mullen Marshall of Fergus County High School. Bases of awards . . . compositions, tests in composition and literary awareness, recommendations from teachers and administrators. The number of winners per state is limited to the number of the state's Representatives in Congress.

On Your Calendar? Twelfth Annual Administrators' Conference at Helena, March 28-31. General Program, March 28-29; Special Program for County Superintendents, March 30-31. Immediately following . . . an April 1 meeting of the Montana Association of County Superintendents, called by Mrs. Laura Jane Taft, Cut Bank, President.

Future Homemakers of America, State Convention, Montana State College campus, Bozeman, March 25-26.

National Library Week, April 3-9. More soon from the National Library Week Committee which includes Superintendent of Public Instruction Harriet Miller.

Glenn O. Lockwood is new State Director of the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation, replacing Leif Fredericks who has retired. Lockwood reminds all school personnel throughout the state that Vocational Rehabilitation counselors are available in each area to assist graduating seniors with physical disabilities which may be vocational handicaps. Counselors visit schools several times each year, and may be contacted at any time. Counselors, by regions . . . W. R. Donaldson, 320 Savings Center Bldg., Missoula, for Western Montana . . . T. J. Witham, 508 Power Block, Helena, Southwest Central Montana . . . William L. Mola, 508 Power Block, Helena, West Central Montana . . . O. V. Crumbaker, 3308 Third Ave. North, Billings, Central Montana . . . Wayne Fjosee, Room 309, Masonic Temple Bldg., Havre, Northern Montana . . . Edward M. Krisman, 3308 Third Ave. North, Billings, Eastern Montana.

The Montana Home Economics Association Scholarship for 1960-61 offers a girl planning to major in Home Economics at Montana State College or Montana State University \$150. Blanks, already mailed to Home Economics teachers, Home Demonstration Agents and Home Economists in Business, may also be obtained from Flora Martin, State Supervisor of Home Economics Education, Department of Public Instruction.

February is Citizenship Month. What is your personal contribution to the government of your community? of Montana? of the United States?

International Farm Youth Exchange Students are available for February speaking engagements. Schedules of Dorothy Williamson, delegate to Finland, and Deanna Swenson, delegate to Switzerland, are being arranged by the Montana Extension Service . . . contact your County Agent for details.

Inadequacy of foreign language training is a cause for anxiety among Montana's three students who are going abroad in 1960 under the International Youth Exchange Program. The three addressed a recent staff meeting at the Department of Public Instruction. They are Gary Glantz of Roberts, assigned to Venezuela . . . William Weber, Jr., West of Billings, assigned to Germany . . . James Quanback of Shepherd, not yet assigned to a country.

ON THE BANDWAGON TO BETTER MEALS, a new school recipe book, is being mailed to all schools with a School Lunch Program. Menus popular with Montana school children and other helpful information about lunch programs are included.

Teachers seeking aids for elementary geography may be interested in a free publication of Pan American World Airways, the WORLD AIRWAYS TEACHER, which contains study units for geography and suggestions for additional materials. Published every two months during the school term. Write to Education Director, PAWA, 28-19 Bridge Plaza North, Long Island City 1, N. Y.

Mathematics teachers (junior and senior high school) are invited to apply for participation in a ten-week National Science Foundation Institute at Ball State Teachers College, Muncie, Indiana, June 13-August 19. Planned especially for teachers with sound mathematical backgrounds who are interested in curriculum revision, the Institute offers stipends of \$75 per week plus allowances for dependents and travel expenses. Write Professor Charles Brumfiel, Institute Director, Ball State Teachers College, Muncie, Indiana for application blanks.

CHILDREN'S ART AND MUSIC BOOKS IN PRINT, 1958, a useful list, and INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC published from September 1-July 1, 1958, may be obtained from State Music Supervisor, Dr. Alfred W. Humphreys.

The new Accreditation Standards for Elementary Schools will be applied next spring (1961), not this year. For 1960, the Self-Evaluation Program will apply as in the past.

Lengths of Air Force Blue twill material are in good supply at the Surplus Property Division of the Department of Public Instruction; material is 57 inches, 80% wool-20% cotton, and 25¢ per yard. The average bolt contains 80 yards, but smaller quantities may be ordered. Also available . . . cotton crash material suitable for tea toweling, 10¢ per yard. Contact Surplus Property Director W. J. Ernst.

March 4 is Presidents' Day, set aside to honor the office of President of the United States as the symbol of the American Flag, the Constitution of the United States and the American Government, and to inspire further study and better understanding of the history of the United States.